

DISSIPATING HIS FORTUNE.

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WILLIAM H. BLAKESNEY, OF NYACK, SUED FOR  
DIVORCE BY HIS WIFE.  
[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

stated for absolute divorce from her husband, William H. Blakeney, on statutory grounds. The complaint covers a period of two years, and names but one co-respondent, a woman with whom Mr. Blakeney is alleged to be now living in a hotel at Haverstraw. Blakeney has put in no defence.

Blakeney is the only brother of the peerless beauty, Mme. Mazarin, the favorite of the late King of Holland. All old New York residents will remember the story of her adventurous life. When she died about twelve years ago the princely fortune which she accumulated came into the possession of her parents. They were plain, hardworking people, living at Tappan, N. Y. From them the money descended to the defendant in these proceedings.

held a million dollars to-day, but his career has been one of the wildest dissipation. He is a typical sort of man in many respects, a "stragg" hot temper and never learned the value of money. Two years ago the courts decided he was unfit to have control of his property, adjudged him an habitual drunkard, and appointed a trustee to care for his estate.

Later this order was rescinded and he has since been living in the same manner. His wife, Mrs. Blakeney is a quiet, intelligent and refined woman, who lives in semi-retirement in a handsome home, the former residence of Broker Alyn, in Nyack.

A few months ago she caused her husband's arrest for stealing her watch and some silk dresses and making her husband, who married her, a felon. She was then on one of his most hilarious sprees and smashed things generally in their beautiful home. The property was recovered and proceedings were discontinued.

Counselor C. P. Hoffman, of Nyack, has been retained by Mrs. Blakeney.

## APARTMENT HOUSES.

### SUES FOR HEAVY DAMAGES.

A SUIT OF PECULIAR INTEREST TO THE OWNERS OF LARGE apartment houses and of some interest to servants who work in them will be heard to-day in the Superior Court. Some months ago Elizabeth Leonard was employed as a lady's maid by Mrs. A. B. Stone, who occupied apartments in the Valencia, one of the Navarro flat houses in West Fifty-ninth street. On her "day off" she visited some friends in Brooklyn and it was midnight before she returned to the Valencia. The janitor, Thomas Keely, refused her admission on the ground that Mr. James

over, to slip through the doorway. Then the janitor, who assumed a southern drawl, asked the speaker if he objected. "I don't want to go West Post office and street police station and lodged in quarters, if any lady's maid might well turn her nose up at it."

She now outlines heavy slanders on Mr. McComb on the ground that he humiliated her by his physical discomfort, injury to her character, assault and battery—the results of the enforcement of Mr. McComb's rule. The real point at issue, however, is that the McComb family, who own the house, has the right to enforce such a rule. James J. McKelvey, who brings the suit for the maid, contends that he hasn't Messrs. Martin & McComb represent Mr. McComb, are very sure that he has.

MR. ROSENBAUM HAS HAD LUCK WITH HIS INVESTMENT WITH A. SIMON, JR.

Simon H. Rosenbaum and Alexander Simon, Jr., are out; George Levysyn is also out, because he was too trusting and believed Mr. Simon when the latter told him that his business, known as the United States Trading Company, at No. 632 Broadway,

way, was a great business, with a stock valued at between \$18,000 and \$20,000, with no debts and good credit and with large sales yielding good profits.

When A. Simon, Jr., had filed Levyson with these ideas he told him that he would give him a position in the company with a quarter interest if he wished to invest \$5,000. All this Mr. Levyson promptly told his brother-in-law, Simon M. Rosenbaum, who put up the \$5,000, and Levyson thereupon entered

Levyson's eyes were opened when he got down to work, for he saw creditors constantly dunning the man who claimed to be free from debt. He saw a stock of undesirable and nearly unsalable goods, but saw nothing of the realization of the golden dreams he had had.

Rosenbaum began to hustle around then after he \$5,000, and after a good deal of dickering he was constrained to accept \$1,000 in goods at a valuation and \$300 in a note "as good as cash" in return.

for a release on full. Rosenbaum later received all his stored goods said to be valued at \$940 and \$20 in cash. The goods and memoranda were so bad that Mr. Rosenbaum had a great shock and tried to return the goods and note and get back his release. In this he failed and now he has brought suit in the Supreme Court against A. Simon, Jr., to recover the money.

**HAPPY LITTLE MOTHERS.**  
THREE HUNDRED CHILDREN GET PRESENTS AND  
ENTERTAINMENT AT CLARENDON HALL.  
About three hundred girls and boys of from six  
to twelve years of age were entertained by the  
managers of the Little Mothers at Clarendon Hall

The little guests were then ranged in long rows and slowly filed by the platform, where the ladies

The children were very orderly and evidently en-

joyed the entertainment immensely. The next entertainment by the managers of the Little Mothers will be the special benefit matinee which has been tendered at the Madison Square Theatre by Mr. A. M. Palmer to-morrow.

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**FROZEN DYNAMITE EXPLODES.**

**LABORER DELANEY KILLED WHILE HANDLING  
THE CARTRIDGES.**

A most unusual case of dynamite explosion, resulting in the death of a workman, occurred yesterday.

John Delaney, sixty years old, living with his wife at No. 305 East Forty-fourth street, was one of

a gang of twenty-four men employed by Contractors Tully and O'Connell in excavating a cellar for a new building at the corner of Lexington avenue and Eighty-seventh street. Lawrence O'Neil was the foreman of the gang. He resides at No. 1,425 Lexington avenue. Delaney had worked for

him for the past eight years and was a sober, intelligent man.

In order to throw several dynamite cartridges used in blasting rock, Delaney, as was his custom, wanted to place them in a heap of manure that had been brought for that very purpose from a neighboring stable.

He had just inserted one of the cartridges in the manure heap when there was an explosion. It instantly killed Delaney, taking off his left leg and the thumb of his right hand. Foreman O'Neill, who

O'Neil was placed under arrest and arraigned in the Harlem Police Court. Justice Taintor directed the police to take him to the Coroners' office, where bail was forthcoming.

the accident. They say they never heard of anything like it before in all their experience.

**WHY THAW OUT DYNAMITE?**

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:--

Why be blown to pieces thawing out dynamite when it will explode with the same power frozen? I might stop right here but it seems as though

it wanted some explanation how it is done. Well, put your fulminate cap in the cartridge, first boring a hole with your knife or gimlet into it large enough to receive the cap, or crush the dynamite with some sharp instrument into pieces small enough to go into the hole and put your cap in

by taking a piece that is frozen, putting a cap in it and placing it where they can see the result; then apply the battery or fuse. M. A. GLYNN.  
New York, Jan. 6, 1891.